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Time	Topic
9:00	Technology Check / Welcome & Agenda Review / Member Update / Process Status / Collaboration Principles / Meeting #3 Summary Review
9:10	Summary of Significant Developments Since Last Forum Meeting & Review of Updated FAQs
9:30	Opportunity for Public Comment
9:35	Revised Project Alternatives Presentation and Discussion
10:15	Break - <i>Participants are asked to be back and ready for the meeting to resume promptly at 10:30</i>
10:30	Breakout Groups: Revised Project Alternatives Review & Refinement
11:05	Breakout Group Reports
11:25	Next Steps in Environmental Review Process
11:40	Public Workshop #2 Overview
11:45	Opportunity for Public Comment
11:55	Next Steps & Closing Remarks
12:00	Close

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Meeks Bay Restoration Project Project Development Team (PDT)

- **US Forest Service Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit (LTBMU):**
Ashley Sibr & Stephanie Heller
- **Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA):** Rebecca Cremeen & Shannon Friedman
- **Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board (LWB):** Brian Judge
- **Ascent Environmental (Ascent):** Adam Lewandowski & Tiffany Lunday
- **Design Workshop:** Steve Noll, Ben Fish & Madison Pong
- **Consensus Building Institute (CBI):** Austin McInerney

- **LTBMU:** property owner/project proponent and lead agency for National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
- **LWB:** lead agency for California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- **TRPA:** coordinating public engagement process
- **Ascent:** planning and environmental analysis
- **Design Workshop:** site planning & alternative development
- **CBI:** stakeholder assessment and stakeholder forum facilitation

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Meeks Bay Restoration Project Stakeholder Forum Representatives

Affiliation	Representative
Tahoe Lakefront Owners Association	Jan Brisco
Meeks Bay Vista Property Owners Association	Tony Evans
League to Save Lake Tahoe	Gavin Feiger
Woodland Pier Association	Bill Anson
Washoe Tribe Cultural/ Language Department	Herman Fillmore
Property Owner	Julie Hutchinson
Washoe Tribe Office of Environmental Protection	Susan Jamerson
Meeks Bay Yacht Club	Steve Matles
Meeks Bay Fire District	Steve McNamara
Lake Tahoe Marina Association	Jim Phelan
Friends of the West Shore	Jennifer Quashnick
Washoe Tribe Meeks Bay Resort	Rueben A. Vasquez

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Meeks Bay Restoration Project Stakeholder Forum General Principles of Collaboration

Stakeholder forum representatives will:

- Be prepared to listen intently to the concerns of others and identify the interests represented.
- Ask questions and seek clarification to ensure full understanding of the content of discussions and other's interests, concerns, and comments.
- Be respectful of other's interests, even if they are not consistent with or oppose your own.
- Regard disagreements as problems to be solved rather than battles to be won.
- Commit to act in good faith and respect the personal integrity and values of others.
- Refrain from ascribing motives or intentions to other participants.

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MEEKS BAY RESTORATION PROJECT STAKEHOLDER FORUM Virtual Meeting #2 | August 5, 2020 (9 am -12 noon) DRAFT Meeting Summary

Meeting Purpose

- Review and finalize summary of Forum meeting #1;
- Share contact information and present project website;
- Understand preliminary alternatives themes and planning constraints;
- Participate in group exercise to provide input on design elements to be considered when developing a range of alternatives for the Meeks Bay Restoration project; and
- Review project schedule and next steps.

Welcome, Zoom Overview, Agenda Review, Introductions & House Keeping
Austin McInerney, facilitator from the Consensus Building Institute, welcomed participants to the second meeting of the Meeks Bay Restoration Project Stakeholder Forum. After a brief review of the Zoom tools and meeting agenda, Mr. McInerney reviewed the Stakeholder Forum membership and explained that after the first meeting, the Project Development Team decided to add the Woodland Pier Association to the Stakeholder Forum; thus, Mr. Bill Anson (primary) and Mr. Kent Ramos (alternate) have joined the Forum. Mr. McInerney reviewed the representatives from the various agencies and consultants involved with the project. Note: Forum meeting attendance is shown in Appendix A at the end of this document.

Mr. McInerney referred to the project public workshop and hearing schedule diagram to emphasize that the project is in its early stages and the focus now is on developing ideas to be explored in alternative themes. He asked for everyone in attendance to adhere to basic set of meeting guidelines to ensure collaborative participation.

The draft summary of the first meeting was then presented, and Mr. McInerney asked if anyone had any comments or requests for modifications to the document. No edits were suggested, and the summary document was accepted as final and will be posted on the project website.

Lastly, the draft project website was introduced and those interested in tracking the project are encouraged to visit www.meeksbayproject.org and to share the project email address (meeksbayproject@trpa.org) to those who want to provide feedback, questions and/or requests to be added to the project mailing list.

The presentation portion of today's meeting was recorded and is available for viewing [here](#) (password: wy8d4.e0).

Alternative Themes and Sideboards: Presentation & Discussion

Adam Lewandowski from Ascend Environmental provided an overview of the preliminary alternative themes and key considerations and sideboards for each theme. Mr. Lewandowski explained that the exercise today is intended to solicit input on elements to include in the

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Summary of Significant Developments Since Last Forum Meeting

Project Development Team has looked more closely at:

- Type and scale of infrastructure that could be feasible;
- Focus on restoration objectives;
- Economic and operational viability of marina;
- Relationship to other plans (89 Corridor) and agency objectives (State Parks and Fire Districts); and
- Status of marina moorings and requirements under Shoreline Plan.

Key meetings held since last Forum meeting:

- US Forest Service Interdisciplinary Team
- US Forest Service and TRPA Leadership
- Meeks Bay Fire District and California State Parks

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Updated Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Revised FAQs respond to questions received concerning:

- Pier design/management
- Moorings
- Interpretation/education
- Marina effects on ecosystem restoration objectives and AIS
- Final project selection
- Public safety
- Upland amenities at the campground and day use areas

Feedback on responses and suggestions for additions?

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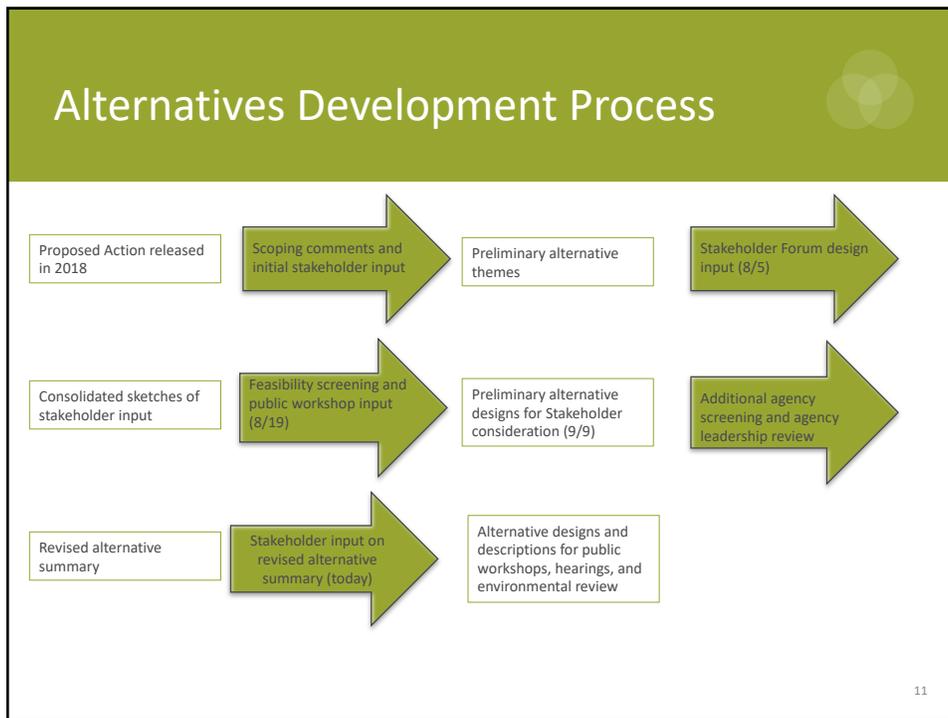
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Revised Project Alternatives

- Review the process and where we left off at the last meeting
- Share updates on alternatives
- Small group discussions to get input on alternative features

A photograph of a wooden sign for Meeks Bay Campground. The sign is on two posts and has several sections of text. The top section says 'Meeks Bay CAMPGROUND BEACH'. Below that, it says 'National Forest LANDS LAKE TAHOE BASIN'. A smaller sign in the middle says 'Campground FULL'. The bottom section says 'U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'. The sign is set against a background of trees and a clear sky.

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From Last Meeting – Alternative Theme 1

- Full restoration
- Central pier
- No ramp
- Relocate cabins to extend beach
- Reconfigured campground
- Additional parking at resort
- Reconfigured day use on south side

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From Last Meeting – Alternative Theme 2

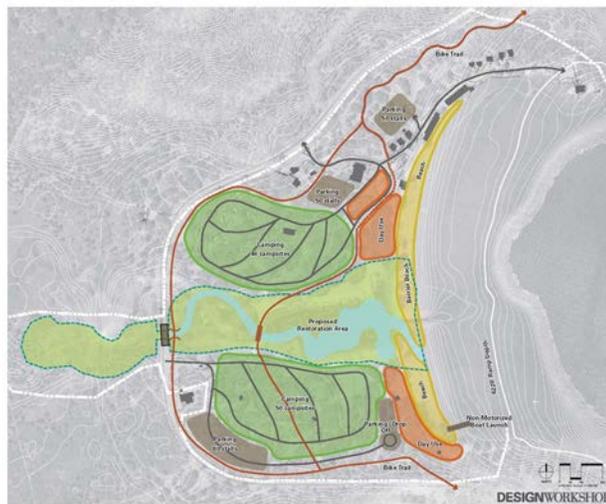


- Restoration area is reduced and shifted south
- Ramp and/or small marina separated from lagoon
- Day use area slightly reduced to accommodate lagoon, marina, and boat parking
- Reconfigured and reduced campsites
- Additional parking at resort

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From Last Meeting – Alternative Theme 3



- Full restoration
- Accessible non-motorized launch ramp at south end
- Campgrounds reconfigured and expanded (~20)
- Day use areas expanded
- Day use parking expanded and relocated

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Partial Marina Alternative Feasibility

Partial marina would reduce restoration potential

Partial marina would not be economically feasible

- High cost of construction
- Ongoing operation costs
- Limited revenue (20 – 40 slips)
- Difficult to identify marina operator



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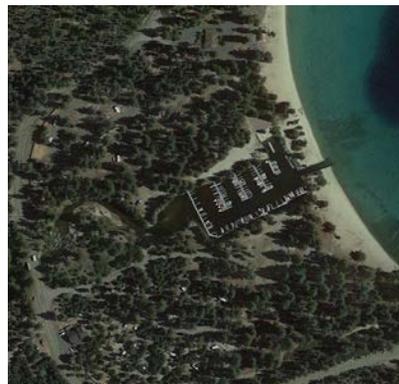
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Revised Alternatives Approach

Do not evaluate partial marina alternative

Develop new alternative with pedestrian pier

Evaluate continuation of full marina operations as part of the No Action Alternative



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Alternatives Comparison (key differences)

Alternative Features	Alternative 1 – Full restoration with boating pier	Alternative 2 - Full restoration with pedestrian pier	Alternative 3 – Full restoration with no pier	No Action Alternative
Pier	Central pier for boating and pedestrian access. Include one lift that can accommodate a fire boat	Pier for pedestrian access	No pier	No pier
Campgrounds ¹	Reconfigure campgrounds with no change in number of sites	TBD	Reconfigure and expand campgrounds. Separate tent and RV sites	No change to campgrounds
Day use on south side ¹	Reconfigured and expanded day use area	TBD	Reconfigured day use area	No change
Parking on north side ¹	Expanded parking	TBD	Expanded parking	No change
Parking on south side ¹	No change	TBD	Parking expanded and relocated away from beach with drop off	No change
Cabins on north end of beach	Relocate one building to extend beach area	No change		
Non-motorized access features	Paddlecraft storage at south end		Accessible paddlecraft launch and storage facility at south end	No change

¹ Design of campgrounds, day use areas, and parking could be similar across alternatives

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Alternatives Comparison (common features)

Alternative Features	Alternative 1 – Full restoration with boating pier	Alternative 2 - Full restoration with pedestrian pier	Alternative 3 – Full restoration with no pier	No Action Alternative
Creek restoration	Full restoration of the creek, lagoon, and barrier beach			No restoration
Existing marina and boat ramp	Removal of remaining marina and boat ramp infrastructure to allow restoration			Marina is operable
Bike path ²	Primary trail near highway and spur loop through Meeks			No path
Hwy 89 bridge	Replace bridge to improve fish passage and structural integrity			No change
Interpretation ²	Install interpretive opportunities along the restored area.			No change
Shoreline restoration	Remove gabions and stabilize shoreline on north end			No change
Aquatic invasive species (AIS) control	Control or eradicate aquatic invasive weeds, warm water fish and bullfrogs using manual methods			Existing AIS control
Utility infrastructure	Install or relocate utility infrastructure affected by the project			No change
Install resource protection barriers	Install natural or fenced barriers to protect Tahoe Yellowcress			No change
Wildlife enhancement actions	Install nest/perch structures for waterfowl, install bat boxes, and plant willow in select locations			No change
Install best management practices	Install permanent BMPs in the parking lot areas, restrooms, and along roadways to capture and infiltrate storm water			Install BMPs to reopen marina

² There could be variations in the design of the bike path and interpretive opportunities, but these elements would be included in each action alternative

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Features Not Included in the Alternatives

- Mooring buoys
- Partial marina
- Boat ramp



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Meeks Bay Restoration Project Revised Project Alternatives

Questions and Discussion



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Meeks Bay Project Stakeholder Forum Break-Out Group Overview

- Three simultaneous breakout groups brainstorming design approaches and other key considerations in developing project alternatives:
- Forum members have been assigned to each group.
- Non-Forum members have been randomly assigned to groups.
- Please keep conversation focused and allow all participants to contribute – “3 before me” is good rule to follow.
- Keep in mind that whatever options are produced today will need to be evaluated to ensure they are feasible and meet the project’s purpose and need.
- Each group will be facilitated by a staff person and a volunteer is sought to report back to the full group.

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Pedestrian Pier Alternative

Pier Location and Design

What is the best location for a pedestrian pier?

What uses should the pier accommodate?

Are there other pier design features that should be considered?



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Pedestrian Pier Alternative

Upland Design

Are there types of campsites that should be emphasized, added, or increased?

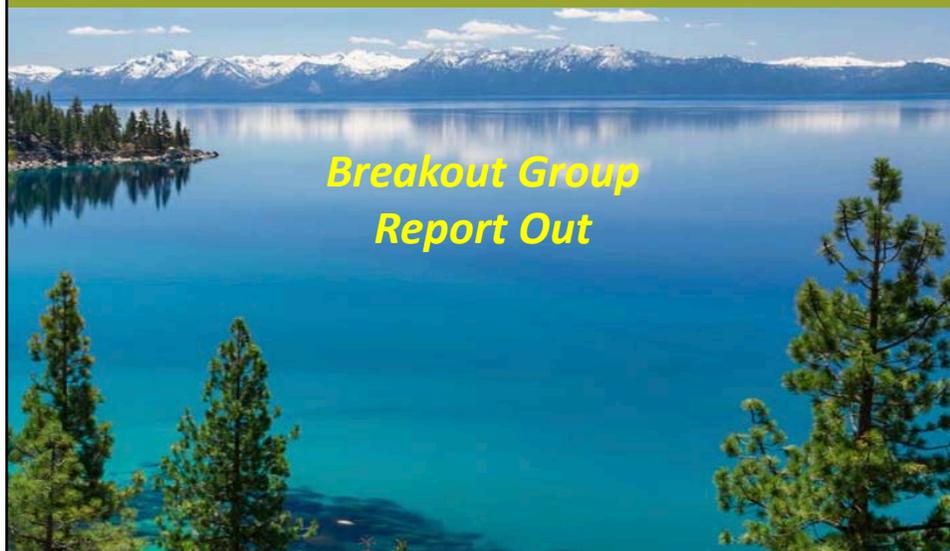
Are there amenities that would make the day use experience more enjoyable?

Are there other design features that would improve use of the site?



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Next Steps in Environmental Review

- Public Workshop and TRPA hearing on alternatives (Jan. 2021)
- Prepare specialist reports and preliminary analysis (Jan. – April 2021)
- Next stakeholder forum meeting (Spring 2021)
- Prepare Draft EIR/EIS/EIS (April – Oct. 2021)
- Public review period for Draft EIR/EIS/EIS (Oct. – Nov. 2021)

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Topics for Environmental Review

- Recreation
- Scenic Resources
- Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources
- Terrestrial Biological Resources
- Aquatic Biological Resources
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Geology, Soils, and Land Coverage
- Air Quality
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Climate Change
- Public Safety
- Noise
- Transportation and Circulation
- Land Use

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Stakeholder Input on Environmental Review and Public Engagement

What potential environmental effects of the alternatives are you most concerned about?

Are there additional environmental topics that should be considered?

Are there specific ways the alternatives could negatively affect peoples' experience or the natural environment in and around Meeks?

How should we structure the January 7th public workshop?

Public Workshop January 7th at 5:30 – 7:30 pm

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Next Steps & Closing Remarks

Forum Members:

- Review today's meeting summary when sent out
- Confer with your constituents to prepare for next forum meeting
- Help spread word about upcoming January 7 public workshop

Members of the Public and Interested Parties:

- Make sure we have your email address if you are not already on the project list: *please enter your name and contact info in the chat box*
- Stay tuned for information and details on the January 7 public workshop
- Follow @TahoeAgency and track website to keep informed

www.meeksbayproject.org

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